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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: SMITH et al.

Group Art Unit: 1634

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Examiner: GOLDBERG, J.

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For: HIGH TEMPERATURE REVERSE  
TRANSCRIPTION USING MUTANT  
DNA POLYMERASES

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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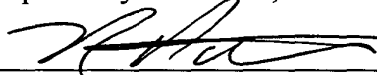
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, be extended for a period of two (2) months from April 29, 2003, up to and including June 29, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$ 410.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 1803-343-999). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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